# Memorandum City of Lawrence Public Works Department

TO: David Cronin, City Engineer FROM: Nick Voss, Project Engineer

DATE: 12 April 2017

RE: Agenda Item for Transportation Commission 5/1/2017:

Traffic Calming - Carson Place - Campbell Drive to Eisenhower Drive &

Campbell Drive - Campbell Place to Carson Place

# **Background**

In June, 2016, the Traffic Safety Commission received a request for Traffic Calming on Carson Place between Campbell Drive and Eisenhower Drive and on Campbell Drive between Campbell Place and Carson Place.

### Details

The City's Traffic Calming Policy permits traffic calming devices on "local" streets if the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of traffic is 5 mph or greater over the speed limit; if the 24-hour two-way traffic volume is greater than 1000; if cut-through traffic comprises more than 50% of the traffic during the peak hour of the day; or, if any two (2) of the above criteria are met by 80%.

#### Carson Place – Campbell Drive to Eisenhower Drive

Carson Place is classified as a "local" street in a residential area, paved approximately 26 feet wide, with a speed limit of 30 mph as provided in State Law. Carson Place is not identified as a Safe Route to School and is not identified as a bike route on the Countywide Bikeway Study. Sidewalk is on one side of the street and parking is not restricted on either side of the street. Queens Road from 6<sup>th</sup> Street to the north city limits is planned for reconstruction starting in summer of 2017.

Traffic data obtained on Carson Place during September 2016 found the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of traffic to be approximately 32.6mph, and, the 24-hour two-way traffic volume to be approximately 96. Due to low total volumes, traffic data was not obtained for cut-through traffic during the peak-hour. Carson Place does not meet the minimum criteria for consideration of Traffic Calming.

## Campbell Drive – Campbell Place to Carson Place

Campbell Drive is classified as a "local" street in a residential area, paved approximately 26 feet wide, with a speed limit of 30 mph as provided in State Law. Campbell Drive is not identified as a Safe Route to School and is not identified as a bike route on the Countywide Bikeway Study. Sidewalk is on one side of the street and parking is not

restricted on either side of the street. Queens Road from 6<sup>th</sup> Street to the north city limits is planned for reconstruction starting in summer of 2017.

Traffic data obtained on Campbell Drive during September 2016 found the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of traffic to be approximately 31.3 mph, and, the 24-hour two-way traffic volume to be approximately 72. Due to low total volumes, traffic data was not obtained for cut-through traffic during the peak-hour. Campbell Drive does not meet the minimum criteria for consideration of Traffic Calming.

## **Action Request**

It is recommended that the Transportation Commission deny the request for Traffic Calming on Carson Place – Campbell Drive to Eisenhower Drive.

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